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Houses for Harijans

* 92 *Q.*—VIDWAN T. MUTHUKANNAPPAN (on behalf of Sri V. M. Surendram): Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of houses constructed for Harijans in the State during the years 1956–57 and 1957–58; and

(*b*) the amount received from the Centre for this purpose?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN:

(*a*)	1956–57	..	3,080
	1957–58	..	3,095
(*b*)	1956–57	..	Rs. 8·93 lakhs
	1957–58	..	Rs. 9·28 lakhs

Contribution to the Provident Fund

* 94 *Q.*—SRI T. P. SRINIVASAVARADAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any limit has been fixed for contribution by teachers in the service of local bodies to the Provident Fund; and

(*b*) if so, what it is and whether that limit is applicable to teachers in aided institutions also?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON: (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) Not less than 6¼ per cent of emoluments and not more than 15-5/8 per cent. This variable rate is not applicable to teachers in aided institutions. The teachers serving in recognized schools under private management can contribute only at the fixed rate of 6¼ per cent of their substantive pay.

SRI T. P. SRINIVASAVARADAN: May I know why the Government are not permitting teachers of aided schools to contribute more than 6¼ per cent while they permit teachers in local board schools to contribute more than 6¼ per cent?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON: Sir, a separate question may be put.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Questions are over.

Note:—**An asterisk * at the commencement of a speach indicates rivision by the Member.]**

II.—GOVERNMENT MOTIONS.

(1) ELECTION OF NINE MEMBERS TO THE COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES

* THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: Sir, I move—

"That, with reference to rule 154 of the Madras Council Rules, this Council do proceed on a date to be fixed by the Hon. Chairman to elect nine members to be members of the Committee of Privileges for the financial year 1959–60."

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MR. CHAIRMAN : The question is—

"That, with reference to rule 154 of the Madras Council Rules, this Council do proceed on a date to be fixed by the Hon. Chairman to elect nine members to be members of the Committee of Privileges for the financial year 1959–60."

The motion was put and carried.

MR. CHAIRMAN : I have to inform the House that in accordance with Regulation 2 (1) framed for the holding of elections according to the principle of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote, I fix the following programme for election of nine members to the Committee of Privileges for the financial year 1959–60—

Time and date for the receipt of nominations.	**4 p.m. on 6th March 1959.**
Time and date for the scrutiny of nominations.	**12 noon on 9th March 1959.**
Time and date for the withdrawal of nominations.	**4 p.m. on 10th March 1959.**
Poll, if necessary.	**Between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on 18th March 1959.**

Nomination forms can be had from the Secretary to the Council.

(2) ELECTION OF SIX MEMBERS TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE.

* THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Sir, I move—

"That, with reference to rule 171 of the Madras Council Rules, this Council do proceed on a date to be fixed by the Hon. Chairman to elect six members to be members of the House Committee for the financial year 1959–60."

MR. CHAIRMAN : The question is—

"That, with reference to rule 171 of the Madras Council Rules, this Council do proceed on a date to be fixed by the Hon. Chairman to elect six members to be members of the House Committee for the financial year 1959–60."

The motion was put and carried.

MR. CHAIRMAN : I have to inform the House that, in accordance with Regulation 2 (1) framed for the holding of elections according to the principle of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote, I fix the following programme for election of six members to the House Committee for the financial year 1959–60—

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